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S/S-O PASS TO AMBASSADOR BUNKER FROM BELL;

DEPT OF ARMY FOR AMBASSADOR KOREN;

STATE/ARA FOR AMBASSADOR BOWDLER;

STATE/L FOR MR FELDMAN.

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SUBJ: US-PANAMA TREATY NEGOTIATIONS: REPORT OF
DEVELOPMENTS-- STATUS OF WORKING PAPERS AT THE
DEPUTY NEGOTIATOR LEVEL (11:00 PM 5/14/74).

I.

THE FOREIGN MINISTER AND HIS TREATY ADVISORY COUNCIL HAVE
APPROVED THE MAJOR-ISSUES PAPER PREPARED BY THE DEPUTY
NEGOTIATORS DATED 5/10/74. THE ONLY SUBSTANTIVE CHANGES IN
THE DEPUTIES' PAPER WERE AT THE INITIATIVE OF THE U S.
THEY DERIVED FROM THE HELPFUL, IF UNCOORDINATED,
SUGGESTIONS RECEIVED FROM WASHINGTON AGENCIES.

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THE CHANGES - REPEAT CHANGES - IN THE 5/10/74 DOCUMENT
ARE AS FOLLOWS, WITH EXPLANATORY COMMENTS:

PRINCIPLE THREE

MAJOR ISSUES:

1. THE QUESTION OF ALL ASPECTS RELATIVE TO
JURISDICTION. (COMMENT: I HAD SENT SIGNALS OF
RELUCTANCE ABOUT SPECIFYING CRIMINAL AND CIVIL JURISDICTION
AS THE MOST IMPORTANT ASPECT OF THE JURISDICTIONAL
QUESTION. THE MINISTER AGREED THAT WAS EXCESSIVELY
RESTRICTIVE.)

DEPUTIES' COMMENTS:

1. DELETE THE WORD "GENERAL" BEFORE "JURISDICTION
OVER PANAMANIAN TERRITORY." (COMMENT: NO SUBSTANTIVE
SIGNIFICANCE.)

2. CHANGE "PRINCIPLE" TO "PRINCIPLES." (COMMENT:
I HAD MADE THE POINT THAT THE CONCEPT DID NOT APPEAR IN
THIS PARTICULAR PRINCIPLE BUT WAS INHERENT IN THEIR
TOTALITY OF THE STATEMENT OF PRINCIPLES.)

PRINCIPLE FOUR

MAJOR ISSUES:

1. DELETE THE WORDS "BY BOTH PARTIES." (COMMENT:
I HAD MADE THE POINT THAT THIS JOINTNESS WAS IMPLICIT.)
(I ALSO CONSIDERED THAT THE SUBSTITUTIONAL LANGUAGE
SUGGESTED FOR THE LAST SENTENCE OF THIS ISSUE WOULD
HAVE BEEN COUNTERPRODUCTIVE TO THE PROCESS OF ACHIEVING
AGREEMENT ON A MAJOR ISSUES PAPER, AND HENCE DID NOT
SUGGEST IT.)

PRINCIPLE FIVE

MAJOR ISSUES:
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1. DELETE THE PHRASE "PEOPLES OF THEIR COUNTRIES"
AND INSERT "THE TWO COUNTRIES." (COMMENT: PANAMA DOES
NOT THINK MUCH OF A RELATIONSHIP THAT DOES NOT DERIVE
FROM GOVERNMENTS.)

PRINCIPLE EIGHT

MAJOR ISSUES:

1. CHANGE THE PHRASE "TO ENLARGE" TO "THAT WOULD
ENLARGE." (COMMENT: AN EDITORIAL CHANGE ONLY.)
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